

326BC

DURANT

Lex POETELIA alleviates law  
of debt

326 BC

PRO CONSULATE introduced.

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Invasion of the Punjab and  
defeat of Porus. (PORUS)

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The decisive struggle between Rome and the warlike Samnite tribes began in 326. and lasted with brief truces to 290 B.C.

321 BC the Samnites won an overwhelming victory. The whole Roman army was entrapped at the CAUDINE FORKS, in a narrow pass between two precipices. The Samnite leader, PONTIUS, made a treaty with the consuls by which the Romans were to withdraw all

their parts from Samnium and to stop the war. He then let the Captives go, after sending them "under the yoke." the fruits of the victory, however, were lost, because the Romans refused to abide by the treaty.

one story: The Senate declared that only the Roman Assembly, not the Consuls alone, had power to make such a treaty. In place of their rescued army, they delivered to the Samnites the two Consuls, naked and in chains, with a Herald. One Consul pushed against the Herald & said that since he was then a Samnite striking a Herald, this gave Rome right to make war on the Samnites.